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Bridges2Honduras





Thank you for your continued prayers on our behalf. Below is a list of our daily prayer requests.

Sunday

God raises up leaders within the local church body

Monday

Our plans and actions are guided directly by God and that He gets the glory in everything we do

Tuesday

Men's & Women's Group Bible studies and children's classes

Wednesday

Individual Bible studies with nonbelievers

Thursday

Mid-week Bible study

Friday

DESEO program

Saturday

CRESCO program

A New (to us) Van

We have mentioned in earlier newsletters how our attendance has been increasing and how there are many wanting to come from an area in the outskirts of Corquín. It has been quite a struggle getting all those wanting to come to be able to come. It takes them 1½ hours of walking to reach Corquín, so it is nearly impossible for that group to make it out to an evening meeting on their own. We have tried to bring in as many as we can, but it gets quite interesting, to say the least. For example, we have stuffed as many as fourteen people into our 4-Runner that has seating for seven! Visions of clown cars are dancing in my mind as I type this.

One of our supporting churches in Atlanta, the Snellville Church of Christ, decided early this year that they wanted to help us out in a big way. In January they began a "bus fund" campaign among their members who gave so generously from their hearts. By the first of July they had raised all the necessary funds. We set about looking for a fifteen-seater van and found one in excellent condition and we feel so blessed to be able to use it for God's work here. Please pray that this tool will help many people come to know God's love and the salvation found in His son, Jesus Christ.

No believe it or not, I'm not getting ready to talk about weddings!

We were in the States for the last half of July and the first half of August. Kris took our son Michael back to Lexington while Mike took Kaylee to Oklahoma to serve for a week as a counselor/facilitator at Global Reunion. She had been personally invited to participate in that way and we are so very proud of her. Mike then drove all the way to Georgia to pick up Kris and then together we headed back in the direction of Oklahoma. We had a week to make our way there to pick up Kaylee so we used that time to visit with family, friends, and churches that help support us in the work in Corquín. Though the travel is quite tiring, we were so encouraged by all of those that we visited. We want to send out a big THANK YOU to all those who hosted us in your homes, prayed with us, feed us, and just allowed us to relax a bit in your presence!

On that trip we stopped in Searcy, Arkansas for a couple of days. While visiting with members of the Downtown Church of Christ, another of our supporting congregations, we made new friends and were blessed with the "something old and something new." Kris was discussing the children's classes in Corquín and the lack of access to teaching materials in Honduras and this precious soul asked about gifting us with Flannelgraph. Those of you our age know exactly what we are talking about! It is something old but for those in Honduras, it is something new. She blessed us by ordering it and having it arrive in time for us to bring it home with us. After a week of "cutting-out parties" with the ladies at church and the AIMers, we finished cutting out all the pieces and organizing them. Sunday, September 2nd, was the first day we used it. Kris taught the children's class about creation and the kids absolutely loved the Flannelgraph and were so attentive! Using it brings back so many good memories of Bible School when we were children and are so pleased to be using it here.



On the last day of August, we traveled about four hours to attend a two-day conference of Churches of Christ in Honduras. In order for the church in Corquín to be officially be recognized by the government of Honduras, we need to become members of this organization. We traveled in our new van with six other brothers and sisters from the congregation in Santa Rosa and from our group in Corquín.



This is our group





Mike introducing us and the church in Corquín.